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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>BRAZIL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Tecnology - Inmetro Telephone: +(55) 21 2563.2840 Telefax: +(55) 21 2563.5637 Email: barreirastecnicas@inmetro.gov.br Web-site: www.inmetro.gov.br/barreirastecnicas Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Refrigerators, freezers and other refrigerating or freezing equipment (HS 8418).
5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Ministerial Ac: N° 463, 10 th September 2012 (28 pages in Portuguese).
6. Description of content: Draft technical regulation which establishes technical requirements that must be met by refrigerating appliances, with a focus on security and energy efficiency.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer security and information; environment protection.
8. Relevant documents: (1) Brazilian Official Journal (Diário Oficial da União) N° 177, 12 th September 2012, section 1, page 49; (2) Not Applicable; (3) Brazilian Official Journal (Diário Oficial da União); (4) IEC 62.552 Household refrigerating appliances - Characteristics and test methods; IEC 60335-2-24 Safety of household and similar electrical appliances - Part2-24; NBR NM 60335-1 Safety of household and similar appliances - Part 1.
9. Proposed date of adoption: Upon publication in the Official Journal after received comments have been taken into. Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined in the final text.
10. Final date for comments: 11 th September 2012.

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

The full text of the proposed technical regulation can be directly accessed through the links:

<http://www.inmetro.gov.br/legislacao/rtac/pdf/RTAC001903.pdf>